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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 6, 2002, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group II, drawn to coated article and reading on claims 14-19 and 28-30(renumbered).

Applicant further elects the following species:

A coated article, having acrylic copolymer as the supporting polymer, which reads on claims 14-19 and 28-30(renumbered) of the invention of Group II.

A coated article, having poly(vinylpyrrolidone) as the hydrophilic polymer, which reads on claims 14-19 and 28-30(renumbered) of the invention of Group II.

A coated article, having aziridines as the x-linking agent, which reads on claims 14-19 and 28-30(renumbered) of the invention of Group II.